

AMENDMENT TO H.R. 5116, AS REPORTED
OFFERED BY MR. HARE OF ILLINOIS

Page 149, after line 21, insert the following new section:

1 **SEC. 305. SENSE OF CONGRESS.**

2 For science, technology, engineering, and mathe-
3 matics (STEM) education programs or activities author-
4 ized under this Act or amendments made by this Act, it
5 is the sense of Congress that when more than 1 applicant
6 is competing for the same grant and the applications from
7 each applicant are considered equal in merit by the grant-
8 awarding authority, the grant-awarding authority shall
9 give additional consideration to any of the following:

10 (1) An applicant that has not previously re-
11 ceived funding.

12 (2) An applicant that is an institution of higher
13 education in a rural area.

